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NSA OFFICIAL COMMENTS

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BRYSON RASH: "Controversy over the Central Intelligence Agency's supporting student organizations with funds continued unabated today.

"Dennis Shaw, who headed the National Student Association in 1962-63 said the CIA financing helped send American students overseas with fewer restrictions than they would have had under outright government sponsorship.

"Another leader of the NSA, today, Jim Johnson, said no CIA funds were used to finance the youth group's extensive civil rights activities in the South.

"The man in charge of the CIA during much of the time it secretly financed the NSA, Allen W. Dulles, said today, 'From a national security point of view, it was a good deal.'

"On the Senate Floor, Senator Gale McGee of Wyoming defended the CIA against what he called 'short-sighted criticism of its role with the student group.'

"On the present state of affairs, Sam Brown, an official of the national student organization, outlines the policy of the youth group."

BROWN: "The national supervisory board of the National Student Association unanimously favors severing all ties with the Central Intelligence Agency. The board is currently considering the extent of NSA's relations with the CIA, ways to insure that all ties are eliminated, and internal reforms to insure that it will not happen again."

RASH: "NSA official, Sam Brown."